REMARKS

Claims 1-36 were pending and under consideration.

In the Office Action of April 25, 2005, claims 1-11,21-23 and 27-36 were allowed, claims 13, 14 and 16-20 were objected to due to informality, and claims 12-14, 16, 20 and 24-26 were rejected.

In response, claims 12, 15 and 24-26 have been cancelled as a matter of expedience, and without prejudice to pursuing same in a continuation application. The remaining claims have been amended to overcome the informalities and to correct grammatical errors, thereby leaving only allowable claims 1-11, 13, 14, 16-23 and 27-36 pending.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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